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## Pimp Sentenced in Human Trafficking Case

A 34-year-old man accused of pimping women in Compton was sentenced yesterday to 12 years in state prison, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Presciliano Duran said Daniel Gunther of Compton pleaded no contest to human trafficking of a minor for a sex act and dissuading a witness from testifying.

At the sentence, Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Paul A. Bacigalupo also ordered Gunther to register as a sex offender for life.

The prosecutor said Gunther was a well-known pimp in the Compton area.

In January 2013, the defendant approached a 16-year-old girl who was a runaway and had her prostitute for him between January and February 2013.

Law enforcement became aware of Gunther's pimping activities and arrested him in connection with the crime.

While incarcerated, Gunther tried to convince another prostitute to not testify against him in court in exchange for a large amount of money.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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### About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](#) prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.